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10,000 MEN WORKING ON SEVAN POWER PLANT

An Arev correspondent in Soviet Armenia reports the following:

There are 10,000 men employed in the construction of the Sevan Hydro-electric power plant. The project will be completed by 1950.

Yerevan, the capital of Soviet Armenia, has been divided into five rayons, each of which is administered by a director, deputy director, and police force.

A radio, in a four-story building, broadcasts daily from 0700 to 2400. Most of the broadcast is in Armenian but some in Russian. The main boulevards have been equipped with loud-speaker systems. Now radios receive Egyptian broadcasts.

The completion of the Sevan Hydroelectric power plant will give added power to the Yerevan radio station, and electricity will be supplied to the cities of Batum, Tiflis, and Baku.

Home loans of 30,000 rubles and a section of land may be obtained from the government. The loans are payable in 20 years without interest.

Newspapers cost 20 kopeks and books from 1-10 rubles.

Night schools conduct Russian classes for repatriates.

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